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PLAN OUTLAY FOR WGDP
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of plan outlay in respect of Western Ghat Development Programme(WGDP) in Maharashtra during the Ninth Plan period;

(b) whether the plan outlay has been adequately spent;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(e) the details of schemes undertaken under WGDP in Maharashtra during the above period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRI S MOOKHERJEE)

(a) to (c) : Under Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP), a total outlay of Rs.97.89 crore was approved for Maharashtra during the Ninth Plan (1997-98 to 2001-02) period as Special Central Assistance. The State Government have reported an expenditure of Rs.96.32 crore which represents 98.4 % of the total approved outlay.

(d): Does not arise.

(e) : The schemes undertaken during the Ninth Plan period under Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP) in Maharashtra included works for maintaining ecological balance in sectors such as Horticulture, Minor Irrigation, Soil and Water Conservation, Forestry and Social Forestry; and for employment generation in sectors such as Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Dairy Development, Sericulture, Bee- keeping, etc. In addition, schemes for infrastructure development such as Foot Bridges were also undertaken for the benefit of the people of the region.